

Paradise Town Council Meeting
July 15, 2015
7:30 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Mayor Leland Howlett, Margaret O Bray, Jay Rinderknecht, Kyle Smith, Spencer Winn, Alyssa Petersen (recorder)

Townspeople Present:

Clayton Gefre (reporter, Herald Journal), Ted Woolf, Steve Woolf, Vic Little, Kevin Norman, Michelle Derricott, Konner Derricott, Jason Summers, Amy Winn, Lee Atwood, Karen Rinderknecht

Minutes: The Minutes of June 17, 2015 and July 1, 2015 were emailed to all the Council members previous to the meeting. Jay made a motion to approve the minutes of July 1, 2015, Kyle seconded that motion, all in favor.

Bills: Margaret read the bills. Kyle made a motion to approve the bills as read, Margaret seconded that motion, all in favor.

Public Comment: Michelle Derricott addressed the Council about various properties around town that have items sitting on the Town right-of-way. The Derricotts recently received a letter from the Council asking them to clear off the Town right-of-way around their home and property. Michelle feels that if she is asked to clear off the right-of-way around her property, then the Council should require the same of others around town.

Planning and Zoning:

- **Ted Woolf- Building Lot- 85 W. 8800 S.-** Ted and Steve Woolf have attended multiple Planning and Zoning meetings in an attempt to find a solution as to how to make the lot in question a buildable lot. The Planning Commission felt they reached a reasonable solution. Amy Winn attended the meeting to discuss this item with the Council. The Council decided the best course of action is to have the Woolfs build a road and then deed the road to the Town, the Town will then share the cost of the water line, road development, etc. This would give the lot frontage on a public road and make it a buildable lot. The Planning Commission will write an amended recommendation to the Council so the Woolfs can move forward with the building or selling process.

Interview Applicants for Mayor Vacancy: Mayor Howlett wrote down three questions for each of the candidates and asked the Council if they would like to ask any additional questions. They asked what the candidate's interest was in being Mayor, what would make them a good Mayor and what things they would have to work around or obstacles when it came to the Mayor position. The candidates interviewed were: Margaret O Bray, Lee Atwood, and Karen Rinderknecht.

Discuss/Fill Mayor Vacancy: The Council chose to table this item until after they went over Council reports; they came back to this item after the Council reports. Mayor Howlett excused himself from the meeting at this point. After a long discussion between themselves and with the possible candidates, the vote was:

For Margaret O Bray- Margaret voted yes, she stated her conflict as she voted yes for herself.

For Lee Atwood- Spencer voted yes.

There was a lengthy discussion between the Council members again and some questions from those in attendance to the candidates.

Margaret then withdrew her name as a Mayor candidate and abstained from voting. Kyle made a motion to appoint Spencer as acting Mayor, there was no second. Jay felt like a Mayor needed to be appointed at this meeting.

Karen then attended the meeting and answered some questions.

For Lee Atwood- Spencer voted yes.

For Karen Rinderknecht- Jay and Kyle voted yes.

Karen was voted as the new Mayor effective July 15, 2015. She will be sworn in at the August 5, 2015 meeting.

Council Reports

- **Roads-** Jay heard from Morgan paving and the slurry seal work will be completed July 16, 2015. Morgan Paving will contact all the affected neighbors.
- **Water-** Kyle had a few residents contact him with complaints about the water turning brown temporarily when the fire hydrants were flushed earlier in the week. Kyle thinks it would be best to prepare people in the future by sending out an announcement with the water bill explaining when the hydrant flushing will take place. The residents affected by the new secondary water line that will feed the new park and the residents on 9500 S. would like the Town to write up a cost sharing agreement. Kyle suggested it go through Herm Olsen, the Town Attorney. Lee Atwood and Kyle will work on that and send it to all parties to review. Kyle asked about starting the project to put a new culinary water line in down the highway to the new park. Mayor Howlett explained that they were waiting to see if the Grant would be awarded. They will get a bid from Bruce Smith. Mayor Howlett thinks there is money from Impact fees that can be used for this project.
- **Community-** Margaret would like the Lions Club to help with the Youth Council.
- **Grants/Fire/Budget-** ISO went through the Fire Department records and will send a report of their findings within 6 months.

Unfinished Business: The Town was awarded \$76,800.00 from the LWCF Grant that Jason Summers had turned an application in on behalf of the Town many months ago. The Mayor will need to sign a contract in order for any funds to be released. Jason will send a copy of the contract to the office and Alyssa will put the contract on the Agenda for the Aug 5 meeting.

New Business: The Council would like to take Leland to dinner to thank him for his service as Mayor before he moves to Illinois for his new job. They decided to go to Elements on Aug 4, 2015. Alyssa will call and get reservations.

Adjourn: Spencer made a motion to adjourn; Jay seconded the motion, all in favor. Meeting adjourns at 10:42 p.m.

Leland Howlett, Mayor

Alyssa Petersen, Recorder